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Ashraf Al Safoo
Fed. Reg. No. 53488-424
Metropolitan Correctional Center
71 W. Van Buren St.
Chicago, IL 60605

March 28, 2022

Hon. John Blakey
United States District Court
For the Northern District of Illinois
219 S. Dearborn St.
Chicago, IL 60604

Re: United States v. Safoo, 18 CR 696

Dear Judge Blakey,

After unsuccessfully attempting to retain counsel to replace attorney Thomas Durkin, I request that due to financial difficulty, the Court appoint me representation pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act.

My case is allegedly linked to terrorist organizations and I intend to proceed to trial to prove my innocence. However, in such a high profile type case it is important to have a trial attorney used to proficient and experienced trial techniques. Therefore, I request this Honorable Court please appoint me an attorney with the proper trial background so that I am not prejudiced in this case.

Thank you for allowing me this opportunity.

Respectfully submitted,

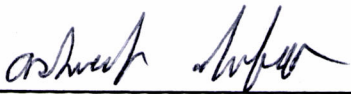


Ashraf Al Safoo
Defendant

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Ashraf Al Safoo, certify that on March 28, 2022, I deposited a letter in the MCC Chicago Legal Mail System, first class postage prepaid, concerning the appointment of counsel pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act, and addressed to the Hon. Thomas Brutton, Clerk of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, 219 S. Dearborn Street, Chicago, IL 60604.

Respectfully submitted,

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)

v.)

Case No. 18 CR 696
HON. JOHN BLAKEY
District Court Judge

ASHRAF AL SAFOO,)
Defendant.)

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Defendant Ashraf Al Safoo hereby
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pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act.

Respectfully submitted,

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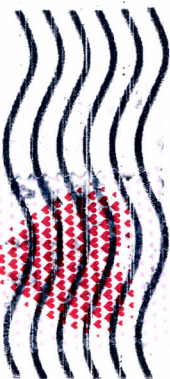
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